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Responsive to the Office Letter dated October 8, 2002, enclosed are formal drawings (10 sheets), which are replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121.

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SUBMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

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Responsive to the requirement for submission of formal drawings, enclosed are ten (10) sheets of formal drawings for the above-identified application.

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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 09/23/2002 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 03/22/2002 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
 - The drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch). See Figures(s) 11.

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